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**Mail Stop Patent Application**

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New U.S. Patent Application  
Title: IMAGE PROCESSING DEVICE, IMAGE PROCESSING METHOD  
AND IMAGE PROCESSING PROGRAM  
Inventor: Yoshikuni TAKENOUCHI

Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above patent application.

1. Application- 36 pages, including 9 independent claims and 18 claims total.
2. Drawings- 14 sheets of drawings containing 18 Figures.
3. Declaration and Power of Attorney.
4. Recordation Form Cover Sheet and Assignment to KONICA MINOLTA BUSINESS TECHNOLOGIES, INC..
5. Certified copy of Japanese Patent Application No. 2004-032668, filed February 9, 2004.
6. Information Disclosure Statement and Information Disclosure Citation, PTO 1449 with 1 document attached.
7. The filing fee is calculated as follows:

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Basic Application Filing Fee					\$770	\$ \$770.00
	Number of Claims		Basic	Extra Claims		
Total Claims	20	-	20	0	x \$18	
Independent Claims	9	-	3	6	x \$86	516.00
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\$770.00 filing fee;  
\$516.00 additional claims fee; and  
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Applicants claim the right to priority based on Japanese Patent Application No. 2004-032668, filed February 9, 2004.

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Please accord this application an application number and filing date and record and return the Assignment to the undersigned.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional filing fees due and any other fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or §1.17 during the pendency of this application to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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